

REMARKS

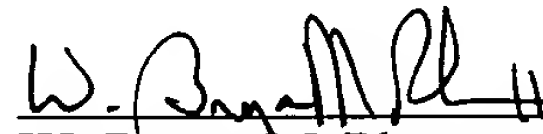
The Examiner has required a restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C §121:

- I. Claims 1-8, drawn to a method of compensatory ratio hedging, classified in class 705, subclass 36.
- II. Claims 9 - 20, to a method of compensatory ratio hedging, classified in class 705, subclass 36.

Applicants choose to elect Group I, claims 1-8. The election is made without traverse and claims 9 - 20 have been cancelled.

It is respectfully urged that the subject application is in condition for allowance and allowance of the application at issue is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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